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“One Team, Supporting Military Missions and Family Readiness!”

Mullen addresses suicides, ops tempo during Texas visit

By Rich Lamance

Special to American Forces Press Service

Suicide rates, operational tempo and homeless veterans were some of the topics facing the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff during a news conference following a visit with wounded Soldiers and their Families at Brooke Army Medical Center April 17.

Navy Adm. Mike Mullen, along with U.S. Sen. John Cornyn and U.S. Rep. Henry Cuellar, both of Texas, spoke to reporters following visits to the burn unit at BAMC, as well as to the Center for the Intrepid, the state-of-the-art rehabilitation center adjacent to the hospital.

The group met reporters following a visit to the new Warrior and Family Support Center, a 12,000 square-foot, \$5 million facility opened Dec. 1, 2008, for injured servicemembers and their Families.

“Brooke Army Medical Center is state-of-the-art and is considered the gold standard for health care for our wounded warriors,” Cornyn said. “We’re proud of the services here and the healing afforded our wounded servicemembers and their Families.”

Cornyn stressed that the government has an obligation above simply keeping the nation safe.

“We know that these are challenging times when it comes to national secu-

urity to our country, with new and emerging threats. ... But I believe ... that keeping our country safe is the

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U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Cecilio Ricardo

Navy Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, talks with Nain Gomez about online college classes during his visit to the Warrior and Family Support Center, April 17. Nain's brother was wounded by an improvised explosive device and is recovering at Brooke Army Medical Center.

Tax center celebrates another successful year

By Lori Newman

Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs

The Fort Sam Houston Tax Assistance Center completed another successful year, preparing over 3,600 tax returns this season.

Tax center personnel and volunteers along with U.S. Army Garrison Commander Col. Mary Garr and Martha Matthews from the Internal Revenue Service were on hand April 17 in the Staff Judge Advocate office to celebrate the end of the tax season and the closing of the tax assistance center.

Capt. Benjamin Coats, Staff Judge Advocate office, began the ceremony by thanking the Soldiers and volunteers for their service at the tax center. Volunteer hours varied, but averaged about 15 hours per week.

“The success of the tax center in the end rides on the quality of people assigned to work in the tax center. We were fortunate this year to have a terrific group. The 20 Soldiers that you see here today have worked tirelessly for four months, delivering outstanding customer service and competent tax preparation to the seemingly never ending flow of patrons from every part of the military,”

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Chairman emphasizes need to ‘Get It Right’ for Soldiers, Families

By Heather Graham
Special to American Forces Press Service

FORT HOOD, Texas – Making sure “we get it right” for the nation’s soldiers and their families is this top priority, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff told about 400 4th Infantry Division Soldiers April 16.

Navy Adm. Mike Mullen was here to thank Soldiers and Families for their sacrifices and service, and to listen to their concerns, comments and questions.

During a morning question-and-answer session with the Soldiers, Mullen fielded inquiries relating to phasing out the “stop-loss” program that keeps some Soldiers in the Army beyond expiration of their enlistments, as well as suicide prevention and mental health, “dwell time” at home stations between deployments and the Warrior Pay program.

Responding to one Soldier’s query about stop-loss, Mullen said he has not been a supporter of the program for a long time and thinks it needs to go away. “It is my expectation we will continue to call on the [Individual Ready Reserve],” he said.

Most of the questions dealt directly with deployments and what the future holds for the

Soldiers and their Families.

“We live in extraordinary times of change,” Mullen told the Fort Hood Soldiers, most of whom recently returned from 15 months in Iraq. Continual deployments with no end in sight were part of the chairman’s message, especially as the focus shifts to the war in Afghanistan. Mullen also acknowledged that the need to balance training with limited dwell time at home has stretched the force.

“You’ve met that challenge and all things associated with it,” the chairman said.

Mullen said he would take input he received here to Washington and “incorporate the information into the leadership challenges we have to make to move forward.”

Those challenges include increasing dwell time while providing resources and training to meet the mission in Iraq and the shifting focus to Afghanistan.

“We’ve got to win the fights we’re in while building the health of the force and more time at home,” Mullen said.

As troops are entering the eighth year of the nation being at war, the Army and Marines are on a “1-and-1” rotation schedule, serving one year deployed with one year at home before the

next deployment. Mullen said he does not expect that schedule to change soon, but that “in 18 to 24 months, we should see more daylight between deployments.”

Though the Iraq mission is winding down, the war effort is shifting to Afghanistan, with 17,000 troops scheduled to deploy there, mostly in the south, in the next few months, Mullen said. An additional 4,000 troops focused on training Afghan forces are expected to deploy later this year.

The chairman said when additional troops are brought in, violence is expected to go up at first, the chairman said.

“Hopefully, roughly one year from now, we will have that turned around,” he said. “I am hoping in the next 12 months we have taken significant steps to turn the tide.”

“Home-tempo,” Mullen’s term for nights spent at home, is expected to rise significantly beginning in late 2010 through mid-2011. Soldiers could start to see 15 or 18 months, and eventually 24 months of dwell time between deployments, he said.

“Our long-term goal is to be home for three years,” he added. “We will move in that direction.”

As the Army continues

to grow and the new units are up to speed, the pressure on Soldiers should begin to ease, Mullen said. But this is an expeditionary Army, he noted, and it will continue in that vein.

“I don’t see a time when deployments end,” he said.

Therefore, he said, the Army must do all that it can to ensure Soldiers and their Families are taken care of and receive the support and resources they need.

“We could not be where we are without Family support,” Mullen said. “We cannot sustain if we don’t continue to support the Families.”

Army Sgt. 1st Class Michael Miles, a 4th Infantry Division chaplain’s assistant who recently returned from his third deployment to Iraq and sixth overall, agreed with the chairman that Family support is vital to Soldiers’ ability to complete their missions overseas.

“My family has been my backbone,” Miles said. One key to that support, he added, has been open lines with his wife and children.

“Communication has been important,” he said.

Over time, Mullen said, support services — especially mental health services — have evolved and

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ARNORTH team travels to Boise for fire fighting conference

By Don Manuszewski
U.S. Army North

Led by the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region X Defense Coordinating Officer, an U.S. Army North team participated in the National Interagency Fire Center and the Department of Defense Spring 2009 Wildland Fire Conference in Boise, Idaho April 14 and 15.

Col. Richard Jenkins, Region X DCO, said the conference is an important piece of an overall planning effort by NIFC and Department of Defense officials to be able to manage wildfires and put them out as quickly as possible when they do occur. Jenkins’ role during wildfire response is the coordination of any Department of Defense support requested by the NIFC, which would normally consist of aerial suppression assets, rotary wing support, or ground units to augment civilian ground crews.

The ARNORTH piece of assisting NIFC with the Wildland Fire Fighting effort entails the land component of the overall Department of Defense response force.

“We have a large logistics capability that civilian officials rely on when the time comes,” said John Bruce, ARNORTH current opera-

tions. “Additionally, if an active duty battalion is called into assist local authorities ARNORTH would provide the command and control for them.”

Also at the conference were officials from the National Guard, U. S. Forrest Service, National Weather Service as well as the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Joint Director of Military Support, U.S. Northern Command, and Air Force North.

“The beauty of NIFC is the focus on fire management,” said Neal Hitchcock, deputy director of fire operations, “which can only be accomplished with our partnerships and getting the support from the Department of Defense when we need it.”

Weather officials said during the conference that the weather patterns this year are making it difficult to predict but emphasized that the dry pattern that the U. S. southwest has been in continues to persist and make the area vulnerable to fire.

“Regardless of where the fires will be we have to be ready,” said Bruce, “and the partnerships we establish and strengthen at conferences like this are essential to everyone’s success.”

DMRTI receives annual U.S. Surgeon General’s Outstanding Service Award

By Melody Fugazzotto and Lt. Col. William White
Defense Medical Readiness Training Institute

joint medical readiness training and thereby improve medical personnel readiness across the uniformed services.

DMRTI is a joint military medical unit under the Assistant Secretary of Defense Health Affairs, whose primary mission includes conducting trauma, disaster preparedness, and homeland security and contingency operations training throughout the world.

Col. John Mitchell, commander of DMRTI, responded to a request for assistance by the U.S. Public Health Service by sending a tri-service team of eight nurses, medics and corpsmen from DMRTI to Washington, D.C. during



Courtesy photo

(From left) Acting, Deputy Surgeon General of the United States, Navy Rear Adm. Robert Williams presents award to the Commander, Col. John Mitchell, Defense Medical Readiness Training Institute, Fort Sam Houston. Looking on is Navy Rear Adm. David Rutstein, Office of Force Readiness and Deployment, Office of the Surgeon General.

the 2009 inauguration. The team was tasked to assist Public Health

Service personnel in the daunting task of training both Public Health

Service clinicians and Disaster Medical Assistance Teams.

The DMRTI team, led by Lt. Col. William White, conducted practical training for more than 100 health care clinicians. Training topics included blast injuries, burn care, cold weather injuries, litter carries, crush injuries and radio communication.

After training was completed, the DMRTI team embedded with public health clinicians manning medical tents setup throughout the U.S. Capitol area. A total of 750 were treated on inauguration day among the 1.8 million visitors.

White stated, “People started lining up in front

of the U.S. Capitol building as early as 0300 in the morning, battling the freezing cold weather for hours before the festivities began.” The types of conditions encountered ranged from hypoglycemia, seizure, chest pain, falls and a variety of minor cold weather injuries.

The DMRTI team was comprised of a mix of seasoned combat veterans and gifted instructors that included Lt. Col. William White, Maj. Gayle Randall, Capt. Joseph Newsome, Lt. Kelli Anderson, Leroy Cantrell, Air Force Tech. Sgt. Tara McCraw, Navy Petty Officers 2nd Class

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YEAR OF THE NCO

Wounded warrior NCO returns to qualification range

By Jen Rodriguez

Brooke Army Medical Center
Public Affairs Office

The last time Sgt. Bret Cherry, 25, participated in the M-16 Zero Qualification Range was in 2006.

He shot at the sharp-shooter level, ranging between 33 and 37 out of 40 possible hits.

Three years later, the wounded warrior returned to the firing line April 15 at Camp Bullis along with Brooke Army Medical Center's Troop Command Soldiers with one goal in mind; to remain on active duty.

This month, Cherry will go before a medical board for the next two to three months to determine whether he's fit enough to remain in the Army.

The medical board will consist of appointments and evaluations to determine if he's ready to go back to the Army or get out based on his disability.

Cherry, a cavalry scout assigned to Task Force Fury, was injured Oct. 25, 2007 in Afghanistan. While returning from a mission, his vehicle was struck by a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device resulting burns to seven percent of his body to his face, legs, arms, head and hands. He also received nerve damage to



Photo by Jen Rodriguez

Sgt. Bret Cherry, a wound warrior adjusts his M-16 rifle to align the sight with the rifle barrel, during zero range April 15 at Camp Bullis. Cherry was injured Oct. 25, 2007 in Afghanistan, and received burns to seven percent of his body to his hands, face, arms and head with some nerve damage to his left arm

his left arm and part of his stomach was removed.

Cherry said, "I hope that qualifying on the range and completing the 26.6-mile Bataan Memorial Death March at White Sands Missile Range in 12 hours on March 29 will help me on the medical board. I have to be found fit for duty on a point system."

Under the point system, getting all ones is the highest that a Soldier can achieve.

"... that means I'm good on everything," Cherry said.

When he clears the medical board, Cherry wants to change his military operation specialty to an explosive ordnance disposal.

He admits he always wanted to work in this

field before he was injured. "I don't see many EOD around here," he said. "Either the bomb gets them good or they don't get injured, because their vehicle takes the explosives."

At one time, he wanted to become a warrant officer and fly helicopters, but he said "I don't think they'll take me with my nerve damage. I can't make a full fist yet."

Cherry was concerned about the difficulty of lying in the prone position, before the range went hot, because he hadn't done it in a while.

Determined, while battling Texas winds and hot spells, Cherry laid in the prone position with an M-16 rifle and fired round after round at the

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Coats said.

Coats credited the IRS for their assistance, saying "The folks at the IRS extending their program to the military were such a huge benefit to the military community, and we really do appreciate that. They trained our preparers ... now they are expert tax preparers."

The IRS trained all the volunteers in tax preparation, provided the necessary forms and answered questions when necessary.

Coats went on to say the benefits to the Fort Sam Houston community were great. We assisted 3,637 taxpayers, saving an estimated \$592,450 in tax preparation fees.

Coats said the number of returns filed by the tax



Photo by Lori Newman

Capt. Benjamin Coats (right), Staff Judge Advocate office, briefs Col. Mary Garr, U.S. Army Garrison commander, April 17 before the closing ceremony for the Fort Sam Houston Tax Assistance Center.

center increased almost 12 percent from last year. The refund total for this year was

\$7,346,378, a Fort Sam

Houston record. Last year the refund total was about \$4.5 million.

"That's about \$8 million dollars coming back

to the Fort Sam community," Coats said.

"On behalf of the Internal Revenue Service I would like to thank the Fort Sam Houston community and all the members and staff and civilian personnel that helped with the program this year, your cooperation in working with us is what made this program a success," said Matthews.

Garr praised the volunteers saying, "What a great job you all did. You should be extremely proud of all the support you provided Fort Sam Houston."

"It takes a great team to pull together and accomplish important missions, nobody does it alone, you all pulled together to make that

happen ... The bottom line is you were out there making a difference for our community, making it easier for them to do something that we all go through ever single year. Many people either don't have the time or it's so complex and overwhelming that it's an impossible task to do without some help. You helped make it easy on them so they could focus on their mission, their Families, their lives. We truly appreciate what you did for us this year. Thanks again for all you have done to make our 2009 tax season a very successful one," Garr said.

The volunteers included Ann Mancillas, Theresa Reyes, Mary Hughes, Master Sgt.

Esther Bailey-Young and Marine Gunnery Sgt. David Ramirez.

Sgt. 1st Class Quinshaun Hawkins, 232nd Medical Battalion, served as noncommissioned officer in charge of the main tax center; Staff Sgt. Baffour Agbey, 32nd Medical Brigade, served as the NCO in charge of the Brooke Army Medical satellite office; and Sgt. Jennilyn Bruce, U.S. Army North, spearheaded the student assistance program, which helped more than 400 members of the Fort Sam Houston trainee population.

The volunteers and full-time personnel received certificates from the IRS recognizing their service.

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No. 1 job of the federal government, then, keeping our commitments to those who wear the uniform and our promise to those who take off the uniform.”

Cuellar also stressed the importance of care for wounded warriors. “When the parades are over, the music stops, and the confetti stops hitting the ground,” he said, “we look at the care we provide our men and women. That’s so important, and that’s why we’re here today.”

Mullen faced the questions of a rapid rise in suicides within the military, primarily in the Army, since 2006. He told reporters that the answers start at the top. “We are alarmed at the increase in suicides, particularly in the Army,” he said. “In all services, the numbers are going up, and ... we are on a pace in 2009 to exceed 2008.”

The chairman noted, however, that he was encouraged by a visit to Fort Hood, Texas, the day before.

“I was struck that there are 54,000 soldiers at Fort Hood, and there has been only one suicide since January,” he said. “As tragic as each one is, that’s a pretty remarkable number when you consider the number of Soldiers who are there.”

But as bleak as the numbers are, Mullen said, he believes there is a solution.

“I think the solution is leadership,” the chairman said. “It’s leadership at the top – and that is certainly going on at Fort Hood, but it’s also leadership at the [noncommissioned officer] level. And I know the leadership of the services – especially the Army – is very focused on this, and I think that’s really a big part of the solution.”

But Mullen admitted that the services have been pressed hard during eight years of war and constant deployments.

“Our stress levels are up, and we have to realize that stress is driving a lot of this, and we’ve got to look at ways to relieve that stress,” he said. “The first big step in taking care of our problem is acknowledging that you have one – and we do. Suicide is never easy, [and] solving it won’t be easy. But everyone in leadership is focused on it.”

Prompted by the recent deaths of two soldiers at BAMC from alleged causes still being investigated, and other cases involving recovering soldiers, Mullen addressed reporters’ concerns about the issue.

“When we speak to those wounded Soldiers, as well as those who are caring for them, it’s clearly a delicate balance here,” the admiral said. “In many cases, it’s very tough and stressful times for individuals, and that’s why coming here to family support is so important. It is important and uplifting. We try to pay a lot of attention to the symptoms that are there, and tragically, sometimes individuals are in a position where the downside occurs and we lose them.”

During the session, another topic addressed by reporters was the concern about operational tempo and whether a larger Army might solve the problem of too little time at their home stations for Soldiers between deployments.

“We’re at, in the Army today, 547,000, which is the authorized end-strength increase from about 485,000 when these wars started,” Mullen said. “It’s my view that that’s about right. And we just got to [574,000], and I’d like to settle out on that before I make any decisions on whether we should increase that.”

The topic of operational tempo, Mullen said, is a critical issue for which he believes relief is in sight.

“As I look out within the next 18 to 24 months, I can see a time when units will have more time at home,” he said. “I’ve pushed hard on leadership to make sure that when they are home, they’re home — so when they’re home during those 12 months, they spend as much time home as possible. In fact, the term I use is ‘home tempo.’”

“We need to be paying attention with every Soldier, Sailor, Airman, Marine,” he added, to ensure they have time with their Families between deployments.

“At the same time,” he added, “these are units that are going to prepare for combat again, and they have to have the right amount of training to do that. So there’s a delicate balance.”

During the chairman’s visit, he told the audience that he and his wife, Deborah, were especially impressed by the spirit and determination not only of the wounded Soldiers, but also of the Families of many of the fallen left behind.

“Yesterday, my wife and I met with a dozen or so Families who had lost their son or daughter or brother or husband or spouse,” he said. “And in every case, we came away inspired by their strength. And it has never happened that a parent or a brother or a sister or a spouse hasn’t said that he or she died doing exactly what they wanted to do. They are proud of their service, and so are we. We would not be the country we are without that.”

“They know that, the Families know that, and certainly any loss, under any circumstance, is tragic, and we work to prevent it as much as possible,” he continued. “The extreme concern we have is suicide.”

Concerns about wounded warriors who leave the service unable to find work also was a topic of discussion and one that Mullen said needs to be addressed before mistakes of the past are repeated.

“It’s something I’m extremely sensitive and focused on,” he said. “I call myself a ‘Vietnam

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zero range, longer than he thought.

“I had a defected gun,” he said. “The rear sight kept dropping down each time I fired. I had to switch out weapons and start all over again.”

Finally with a working weapon on target, Cherry was given the thumbs up to proceed to the qualification range with a 10-silhouette target.

The qualification range consists of three rounds. Soldiers are issued a 20-round magazine and have two minutes to put it into a silhouette of ten figures in the prone supported position.

During the second round, Soldiers are issued a magazine with 10-rounds and have 15 seconds to put it in each silhouette in the prone unsupported position. On the third and final round, Soldiers are issued a 10-round magazine and must get into a kneeling position and have 60 seconds to put no more than two rounds into the targets.

At the end of the day, Cherry was impressed with the results. He shot 34 out of 40 possible hits, earning the title of sharpshooter once again.

“It’s what I expected to shoot,” he said. Overall, I think I was about even with the rest of the Soldiers. The only thing, was loading the ammunition. It was a little slower.”

But, he shrugs, “That’ll come with time.”

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expanded to meet the needs of Soldiers and their Families. He addressed the mounting suicide rates across the services, and especially in the Army.

Suicides are at an all-time high, the admiral noted, and prevention is a primary focus on all levels. Addressing and relieving stress are important to suicide prevention, he added.

Though one suicide is too many, the chairman said, he noted that Fort Hood has had only one confirmed suicide this year.

“I applaud what you are doing,” he said. “But we cannot rest on our laurels, because lives are at stake.”

The stigma of seeking help for mental health issues has to end, Mullen added, and soldiers need to know they can ask for help without penalty or harassment.

Combat stresses are normal, he emphasized, and receiving professional help should be encouraged to help Soldiers process and cope with their war experiences.

“It is a natural human condition after you’ve been through what you’ve been through,” he said. “We’ve got to continue to focus on this.”

Mullen said he looks to leaders to make sure people are taking care of each other. “In the toughest of times, it’s great leadership that gets us

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baby’ – we did not take very good care of [servicemembers] coming out of Vietnam. We have a generation of homeless veterans which we still need to focus on.

In September, Mullen said, he sat down with about 20 homeless Iraq and Afghanistan veterans at a Veterans Affairs hospital in Los Angeles.

“And it’s tragic in what they’ve been through to get there,” he said, “and I want to do all I can to make sure we don’t generate another generation of homeless vets. Our country – financial crisis notwithstanding – is rich enough and has the resources to take care of these young people who go off and fight our wars and do what we ask them to sacrifice so much.”

Mullen said one of the Los Angeles veterans summed it up best: “You know I gave 100 percent. All I’d like is 100 percent back.”

Physical Activity Taken to Heart at Fort Sam Houston Elementary School

By Dr. Kathy Maxwell
Fort Sam Houston
Elementary School

Elementary students joined the American Heart Association for a month long emphasis on a healthy heart. Jump Rope for Heart, teaches elementary students jump rope skills and Hoops for Heart, teaches students basketball skills while raising funds to support lifesaving heart and stroke research. Physical Education teachers Amy Cichon and Ann Boelens coordinated all events to promote physical fitness and the value of community service. A “healthy heart” pep rally kicked off the month with exhibition basketball players, cheerleader, dancers, jump rope

exhibitions, a staff jump rope competition and a guest speaker.

Basketball exhibitions were performed by Mayceo Wilson, Chase Miller, Jamir Billings, and Austin Isibor. Heart-to-Heart cheerleader-dancers were Charlene Jordan, Kristen Pauley, Jonamae Takai, Kyri Jackson, Leanne

Ballares, Cara Taliaferro, Arianna Nesmith, Jocelyn Benning, Taquoya Greene, Taylor Coble, Ashley Jeffords, and Melany Sonero. Students performing jump rope exhibitions were Ayana Brown, Erykah Rowley, Tiana Combs, Maddie Bishop, Mayceo Wilson, Jamir Billings, Caleb Williams, Marcello

Broadus, Bryan Pickeral, Austin Isibor, and Brandon Adams. Staff members competing in the jump rope jump-off were Tonya Hyde, April Blanco, Stacey Carter, Laura Lamoureux, Rhonda Francis, Andrea Garcia, Nora Gonzalez, Brandon Jones, and Kathy Maxwell. King and queen of the jump rope competition were teachers Susan Baer and Brandon Jones.

American Heart Association guest speaker, Amy Newman, discussed the importance of a healthy heart and ways students could support others through participation in events. To encourage active participation, she provided 700 jump ropes and six basketballs for use by students.



Courtesy photo

(From left) Kathy Maxwell, Laura Lamoureux, Nora Gonzalez, Christy Pryor and Amy Cichon, elementary staff promote a healthy heart in a jump rope competition.

FSH fifth graders celebrate culmination of D.A.R.E. training

By Dr. Kathy Maxwell
Fort Sam Houston
Elementary School

Culmination of the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program for the fifth graders was marked April 9. Students applauded their 101 classmates that graduated from the D.A.R.E. program as each received a D.A.R.E. certificate.

The ceremony began with a welcome from Brenna Howell, fifth grade social studies teacher, followed by Jessica Washington leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. An introduction to the D.A.R.E. program and its’ purpose was made by Officer Adam Deremiah.

Following Deremiah, elementary principal Tonya Hyde introduced special guests who provided inspirational messages and encouragement: U.S. Army Garrison Commander, Col. Mary Garr; Sgt.

Maj. Shawn Barnes; Dr. Gail Siller, Fort Sam Houston Independent School District superintendent; and Eustace Lewis, FSHISD School Board vice president.

Garr addressed the audience with a heartfelt, direct message, followed by a review of the meaning of D.A.R.E. Garr taught the students the meaning of the Army response, “Who Ah!” and encouraged the students to respond in kind when they agreed with her statements. After engaging in conversation with the students, Garr skillfully tied the responses back to the D.A.R.E. topic of abstaining from substance use and abuse.

Howell summed up the significance of this solemn occasion stating, “This is one of three times you are going to walk across a stage in your life, with each having a very special

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ROBERT G. COLE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Many of the Robert G. Cole students have attained academic success for the third nine weeks of the 2008-2009 school year. To qualify for the two honor rolls, students must earn the following grades: A Honor Roll – a grade of 90 or higher in all classes; A/B Honor Roll – a grade of 80 or higher in all classes with at least one grade of 90 or higher.

**A Honor Roll
Third Nine Weeks**

Sixth Grade
Jordan, Steven
McClellan, Brandon
Mejia-Hernandez, Bryan
Penny- Fletcher, Tatiana

Seventh Grade
Eubanks, Bianca
Garr, Patrick
Howell, Carter
Kelly, Ethan
Lougee, Isabelle
Ware, Grace
Whiteley, Ethan

Eighth Grade
Brock, Julia
Cenney, Teresa
Darbyshire, Kayla
Garcia-Sanchez, Eileen
Gibson, Ruby
Hagan, Dana
Morrill, Hayley

Renz, Marlene
Rodarmer, Alexia
Smith, Megan
Sucec, Cameron

Ninth Grade
Estrada-Chapman, Mickel
Gresenz, Molly
Herel, Alexandra
Lamoureux, Christopher
Mercado, Francesca
Mojica, Aida
Storey, Seth
Well, Ryan
Wessies, Savannah

10th Grade
Juni, Katelyn
Kelly, Connor
Renz, Megan

11th Grade
Fee, Nicole

12th Grade
Andrews, Breanna

**A/B Honor Roll
Third Nine Weeks**

Sixth Grade
Albekova, Manzura
Boorse, Hannah
Brooks, Riley
Brown, Emma
Burgess, Joshua
Chavez, Kassandra
Fardink, Mary
Gallegos, Rori
Gallegos, Tae
Garcia-Sanchez, Jonathan
Gomez, Brando
Hayes, Domonique
Henkes, Bethany
Ivery, Bryce
Juni, Colleen
Kurek, Zachary
Leonard, Brittany
Lopez, Ariel
Mantovani, Adrian
Montoya, Alyssia
Mudd, Tyler
Nettles, Nygil
Overstreet, Kathryn
Pace, Chelsea
Porter, Emily
Schmidt, Corey
Schuster, Kealoha
Strickland, Collin
Sween, Julian
Thirakul, Smitt
Vazquez, Joshua

Renz, Marlene
Rodarmer, Alexia
Smith, Megan
Sucec, Cameron

Ninth Grade
Estrada-Chapman, Mickel
Gresenz, Molly
Herel, Alexandra
Lamoureux, Christopher
Mercado, Francesca
Mojica, Aida
Storey, Seth
Well, Ryan
Wessies, Savannah

10th Grade
Juni, Katelyn
Kelly, Connor
Renz, Megan

11th Grade
Fee, Nicole

12th Grade
Andrews, Breanna

Wade, Mackenzie

Seventh Grade
Ballares, Uelle
Brewington, Patrick
Brooks, Hannah
Chavez-Gates, Deanna
Coleman, Kelli
Cooper, Suzanne
Cunningham, Jason
Gonzalez-Carrero, Luis
Gutierrez, James
Harmon, Shanice
James, Acacia
Jeffords, Mariah
Lewis, Morgen
Mahon, Francis
McClellan, Jonathan
Ochoa, Lucas
Ota, Rose-Marie
Pappas, Joseph
Ramos, Eric
Randle, Andreeanika
Richardson, Teryn
Robinson, Malik
Rodriguez, Andrew
Sauer, Megan
Steiman, Brittany
Storey, Abigail
Strob, Nicholas

Renz, Marlene
Rodarmer, Alexia
Smith, Megan
Sucec, Cameron

Ninth Grade
Estrada-Chapman, Mickel
Gresenz, Molly
Herel, Alexandra
Lamoureux, Christopher
Mercado, Francesca
Mojica, Aida
Storey, Seth
Well, Ryan
Wessies, Savannah

10th Grade
Juni, Katelyn
Kelly, Connor
Renz, Megan

11th Grade
Fee, Nicole

12th Grade
Andrews, Breanna

Brown, Destiny
Colon, Yenesis
Costello, Sarah
Crotts, Abigail
Daugherty, Robin
Dudley, Timothy
Fia, Rachael
Guerrero, Andrew
Hallstrom, Kayla
Horne, Hannah
Howell, Brent
Jackson, Anthony
Joers, Stacia
Larsen, Grace
McCobb, Tyler
Miller, Zachary
Pace, Sybellen
Ramirez, Jeana
Sablan, James
Schell, Jacob
Scott, Jaida
Smith-Douglas, Mikayla
Starnes, Mason
Stolicki, Brittany
Stout, Amber
Suszko, Christopher
White, Rashad
Williams, Enrique
Williams, Olivia

Renz, Marlene
Rodarmer, Alexia
Smith, Megan
Sucec, Cameron

Ninth Grade
Estrada-Chapman, Mickel
Gresenz, Molly
Herel, Alexandra
Lamoureux, Christopher
Mercado, Francesca
Mojica, Aida
Storey, Seth
Well, Ryan
Wessies, Savannah

10th Grade
Juni, Katelyn
Kelly, Connor
Renz, Megan

11th Grade
Fee, Nicole

12th Grade
Andrews, Breanna

Dochnal, Aidan
Garcia, Meagan
Goderis, Alaena
Hall, Amanda
Henkes, Chelsey
Kiss, Jessica
Larvins, Kayla
McLamb Emily
Nagies, Thomas
Overstreet, Katelyn
Potts, Tayler
Sweed, Perri
Taliaferro, William
Valderrama,Suheily
Villescas, Moses

Renz, Marlene
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Gilchrest, Cody
Long, Cristal
Mahon, Mary
Prothero, Juliette
Richardson, Trevor
Rofe, Eric
Schell, Zachary
Sees, Michael
Wafford, Lindsey
Washington, Rebecca
Wessies, Amber
Wong, Jameson

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FORT SAM HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT WEEKLY CAMPUS ACTIVITIES - APRIL 27 TO MAY 2	
FSH Elementary School April 27 Third and fourth grade Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills LAT math	April 28 TAKS LAT grades sixth, seventh and eighth reading TAKS LAT grade 10 ELA TAKS grades sixth, seventh and 10th math TAKS exit level ELA retest
April 28 Third and fourth grade TAKS math Third, fourth, and fifth grade TAKS LAT reading	April 29 TAKS grades sixth and seventh reading TAKS grade eighth reading retest TAKS exit level math TAKS exit level math retest
April 29 Fourth grade TAKS reading Third and fifth grade TAKS reading retest	April 30 TAKS grade ninth math TAKS grades eighth, 10th and exit level science TAKS exit level science retest
April 30 Fifth grade TAKS science	May 1 Fifth grade TAKS LAT science
Robert G. Cole Middle and High School April 27 Student of the month breakfast in middle school conference room, 8:30 a.m. Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) LAT math grades sixth, seventh and 10th	May 1 TAKS LAT grades eighth and 10th science TAKS grades eighth, 10th and exit level social studies TAKS exit level social studies retest
	May 2 Regional Track Meet at Judson High School, all day Band/Choir Banquet at Roadrunner Club, 7 to 10 p.m.



Photo by Esther Garcia

Stephen Cavender, King Antonio LXXXVII, bows to the troops on the field following his presentation of the Fort Sam Houston Fiesta medal by Maj. Gen. Russell Czerw, commanding general, Fort Sam Houston and Army Medical Department Center and School. Czerw presented special medals to Fiesta royalty before the start of the 32nd Medical Brigade Fiesta Run held April 15.



Photo by Esther Garcia

Col. Randall Anderson, commander, 32nd Medical Brigade, prepares to present the colors to the official party during the military ceremony at MacArthur Parade Field April 19. The military ceremony began with retreat by the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps, an awards ceremony, guest speeches, and the most traditional part of a military ceremony, the pass in review that showcased more than 300 Soldiers.



Photo by Esther Garcia

Col. Mary Garr, U.S. Army Garrison commander presents Fiesta medals to members of the 82nd Division (Airborne) chorus following their performance on the Fort Sam Houston Fiesta stage.



Photo by Kathy Salazar
Edward Lopez smiles as he tries his skills on the gyro, one of several carnival rides offered during Fiesta held at MacArthur Field. Other activities included the human bowling ball, the mini Ferris wheel, Xtreme trampoline and the Monkey Maze, plus much more activities for Families to enjoy.



Photo by Esther Garcia

Lt. Gen. Thomas Turner, commanding general, U.S. Army North and Maj. Gen. Russell Czerw, commanding general, Fort Sam Houston and Army Medical Department Center and School, present the Commander's Award for Public Service to Charles Barrett, president, San Antonio Fiesta Commission; Stephen Cavender, King Antonio LXXXVII, and Charles Garza, El Rey Feo LXI, for their outstanding support and contributions to the military community.



Members of Ballet Folklorico Del Cielo, in colorful folklorico outfits, entertain the crowd with traditional Mexican dances.



Fiesta '09



Photo by Esther Garcia

Miss San Antonio Alanna Sarabia (left) and Queen of Soul Ashley Dixon visit with Soldiers at the Rocco Dining Facility following the 32nd Medical Brigade Fiesta Run. Fiesta Royalty, Ballet Folkloric Dancers and the Army Band came out in the early morning hours of April 15 at MacArthur Parade Field as more than 2,000 Soldiers began the Fiesta Run. The event is an opportunity to acquaint the Soldiers with Fiesta in San Antonio.



Photo by Kathy Salazar

Fiesta goers join Patsy Torres, one of several entertainers at Fort Sam Houston's Fiesta, on stage to learn how to Cumbia. Clear bright sunny skies brought more than 20,000 people to Fort Sam Houston to enjoy the day's activities that included fireworks.



Photo by Kathy Salazar

Pfcs. Kerri Woods (left) and Risa Willems-Kramer enjoy chicken on a stick and popcorn during Fort Sam Houston's Fiesta activities held April 19. More than 40 vendors provided traditional Fiesta foods that included roasted corn, turkey legs, gorditas, a variety of tacos, drinks, and everyone's favorite, the funnel cake with whipped cream and strawberries.



Announcements

BOSS variety show auditions

The Fort Sam Houston Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program is seeking talent for the upcoming New York street-style variety show entitled, “Boulevard of Music Dreams.” BOSS variety shows have won first and second place in the Army Festival of the Performing Arts in previous years. There will be parts for a variety of talents to include singing, danc- ing, instrumentals, graffiti artists and break dancers. For more information or to schedule an audition, call Ben Paniagua at 2224-7250.

Microsoft Office 2007 classes offered

Army Community Service’s Microsoft instructor will offer the following Microsoft Office 2007 classes.
May 1 – Word Level 1; May 4 – Excel Level 1; and May 6 – Excel,

Level 2 from 8 a.m. to noon at ACS, Building 2797 in the comput- er lab. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call 221-1841 or e-mail jennifer.lobos@us.army.mil.

Harlequin Dinner Theatre

The Harlequin Dinner Theatre will feature “Angel Street,” a Victorian thriller by Patrick Hamilton, Thursday through Saturday evenings through May 23. This Broadway hit tells the story of the Manningshams, who live on Angel Street in 19th century London. For more information on show times or to make a reserva- tion, call 222-9694.

Driver’s education

The Child, Youth and School Services will offer a driver’s educa- tion course through the Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Exploration and Skills program. Spring session class dates are April 27 to May 21. Classes are open to all Department of Defense I.D. card holders. For information on class times, cost of course or to make a reservation, call 221-9548.

EFMP Support Group

Army Community Service Exception Family Member Program offers a support group Wednesday

evenings from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the School Age Service, Building 1705, Dodd Blvd. Each week the group is facilitated by Mutual Enrichment through Learning and Discovery and is open to Soldiers and military Families with special need members. Childcare and din- ner is provided. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call April Nias, EFMP Program Assistant at 221-2604 or e-mail april.nias@us.army.mil.

Calendar of Events

APRIL 23 Sexual Assault Recognition ceremony

Sexual assault first responders and providers will be recognized for their dedication and commit- ment to the response and preven- tion of sexual assault April 23 from 3 to 4 p.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. Plan to attend the recognition ceremony to say thank you to the people who respond and help in the prevention of this crime. For more information or to register, call 221-0918.

APRIL 25 Self defense for the Family

In recognition of Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month a free self defense class will be offered April 25 at 9 a.m. at the

Center Brigade Gym. Instructors from several types of martial arts will be on site as well as vendors with self defense gear. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Maawac at 221-7367.

APRIL 27 Family Readiness Group leadership academy

The Army Community Service Mobilization and Deployment Program will hold a Family Readiness Group leadership acad- emy April 27 and 28 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in ACS, Building 2797. For more information or register, call 221-2705 or e-mail samh.acs.mob.deploy@conus.army.mil.

Savings and investment class

Army Community Service Financial Readiness will hold a savings and investment class April 27 at 2 p.m. at ACS, Building 2797. Class space is limited. For more information or to register, call 221-1612.

APRIL 28 Women Encouraging Women

Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program will hold Women Encouraging Women, a lunchtime seminar, April 28 from noon to 1 p.m. at ACS, Building

2797. The topic will be, “Tips on how to maximize your money.” Bring a healthy lunch, make new friends, and grow your potential. For more information or to register, call 221–0349 or 221-0600.

Mandatory first PCS move class

Army Community Service Financial Readiness will hold a mandatory first PCS move class

April 28 at 2 p.m. at ACS, Building 2797. Class space is limited. For more information or to register, call 221-1612.

APRIL 29 Mandatory first-termer financial readiness class

Army Community Service Financial Readiness will hold a mandatory first-termer financial

See MWR P15

Upcoming movie nights

Army Community Service has more movie nights planned for an evening of free Family entertainment. The next movie weekend will be May 8 at the flag pole beginning at dusk with the family-friendly movie “Hotel for Dogs.” The May 9 movie will be presented at the field between the Youth Services and Dodd Field Chapel. On the big screen will be the very popular Disney film “Wall-E.” Both movies begin at 8:15 p.m. Moviegoers should bring lawn chairs, blankets and beverages. Also available for the fun evening will be popcorn and snow cones. In case of inclement weather or muddy fields, the alternate site for movie night is the ACS auditorium, Building 2797 and the movies will begin at 7 p.m. For more information, call 221-2418 or 221-2705.

MWR from P14

readiness class April 29 at noon at ACS, Building 2797. Class space is limited. For more information or to register, call 221-1612.

Missions Baseball Military Appreciation Night

Come on out and recognize Fort Sam Houston Soldiers and Families at the San Antonio Missions Baseball Military Family Appreciation Night April 29 at Wolff Stadium. The game begins at 7:05 p.m. There will be several pre- game activities. This game is one of five military appreciation nights sponsored by the Missions in honor

of the military. A few lucky Fort Sam Houston Soldiers will be cho- sen to throw the first pitch and sing the national anthem. Ticket vouchers can be picked up at the Fort Sam Houston Ticket Office located in the Sam Houston Club and other Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities. Limit 4 vouchers per person. Present Department of Defense I.D. card when picking up tickets from the Sam Houston Club. The vouch- ers may be converted to free gen- eral admission tickets at Wolff Stadium or used for upgraded seats for a small additional pay- ment. For more information, call 221-9904.



City Military Championship

Fort Sam Houston Golf Club will host the 11th Annual City Military Championship April 25 and 26. Check in time for the

tournament is 7:30 a.m. with a start time of 8 a.m. Cost is \$80 for non-members and \$ 40 for FSH Golf Club members. For more information, call 222-9386.

Lifeguard Classes

The Jimmy Brought Fitness Center will hold a weekend life- guard class April 25 and 26 from

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$160 per class. For more informa- tion, call Ignacio Flores at 221- 1234 or 221-1532.

Law Day golf scramble

A Fort Sam Houston Law Day Golf Scramble will be held May 1 at 10 a.m. at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Course. The cost is

\$40, which includes green fees, cart and lunch. All friends, Family and employees related to the San Antonio Judge Advocate General, law enforcement and military com- mand and legal communities are welcome. For more information or to register, e-mail scott.r.crivel- li@us.army.mil by April 20.

'OUR STRENGTH IS FOR DEFENDING' In Recognition of Sexual Assault Awareness Month

By Stacey Barnes
Sexual Assault Response
Coordinator, Army Community
Service

The Department of Army and Fort Sam Houston officially recognizes Sexual Assault Awareness Month in April to raise awareness and to prevent sexual violence. During the entire month of April the focus has been the concept of "Our Strength is for Defending." The theme highlights the Army's mission of defending our nation and to defend the safety of its own people. Everyday service-members train to ensure that they are well prepared to defend the nation in a moments notice. Moreover,

Soldiers train their minds and bodies to ensure that their skills are honed and equipped to execute the mission. When sexual assault occurs within an organization this impacts mission readiness and can decrease responsiveness. Every Soldier needs to be prepared to execute their responsibilities and to be able to rely upon their team to work together proficiently, safely and successfully. Victims of sexual assault often experience various degrees of issues through the recovery process. Their mental strength can become hindered as they work their way through this traumatic event. They may become distracted, withdrawn or depressed.

Moreover, they may have to deal with their own organization's becoming aware of the assault, and making comments and judgments. Physically victims may have a decrease in appetite and loss of sleep. Spiritually they may feel a loss of hope and faith for a better tomorrow. These aspects attack their overall strength and as they seek help and reach out for assistance their strengths can be renewed and this experience can become one in which they gain a new perspective. This new perspective can renew their hope, faith and belief in a better tomorrow, a better Army and a better well being for themselves as an individ-

ual and as a Soldier. Soldiers, Family members and civilians are encouraged to take a stand against sexual assault, support those that are recovering and prevent this crime by using your strength to defend the safety of fellow Soldiers, Family and organizations. This needs to be encouraged not just during the month of April, but all twelve months of the year. During the month of April, the Fort Sam Houston community has encouraged everyone to consider all the aspects of sexual assault. If you are a survivor of sexual assault and wish to seek assistance call the 24/7 Hotline at 722-4920.

AWARD from P5

Christopher Taylor and Joseph Sepulveda. The DMRTI's San Antonio team that coordinated with the remote DMRTI instructors in the District of Columbia included Maj. Leroy Marklund, Daniel

Boehm, Adrienne Howard, and Navy Commander Manny Santiago, Bethesda, Md. These individuals provided pre-site coordination, assisted with supplies, and were an integral part of the training teams.

D.A.R.E from P10

meaning - D.A.R.E. graduation, high school graduation, and graduation from college." Six students were honored for their D.A.R.E. essays, receiving special medals commemorating their success. Those students were Mariah Rogers, Matthew Schiek, Madelyn Bishop, Hannah Wafford, Alex Spero, and Melany Sonera. At the close of the ceremony the D.A.R.E. Mascot, Daren the Lion, arrived to join graduates for cake and water at the conclusion of the ceremony Classroom instruction began in fall of 2008 and

continued through early April 2009. Information was presented by Deremiah through honest and open direct teaching, hands-on activities, and workbook assignments, sharing of information and moving stories of substance abuse, ending with a writing competition explaining the importance of D.A.R.E. President Barack Obama proclaimed April 8, 2009, as National D.A.R.E. Day. Obama honored D.A.R.E. for its important work and the efforts of D.A.R.E.'s instructors and supporters. For more information about the D.A.R.E. program, visit <http://www.dare.com>.

SACU shred day on FSH

San Antonio Federal Credit Union hosted Shred Day April 18 at nine of their branches including the Fort Sam Houston location on Stanley Road. Shred Day takes place once a year on the Saturday after April 15, tax day. Individuals wishing to use this service could bring up to 100 pounds of personal papers to be destroyed free. This year SACU partnered with Dress for Success in San Antonio, a not-for-profit organization that promotes the economic independence of disadvantaged families by preparing, and mentoring women for the workforce and providing clothing for low-income women so they have appropriate clothing to wear to job interviews. Money is donated to the organization based on the amount of paper accumulated and donations received during the one-day event. "This is great, because you know how it piles up on you, and to top it off my machine broke two days ago. Then my wife heard about this on the news, that's why I'm here," said Emmanuel Solis, a disable veteran.



Photo by Minnie Jones

APRIL 30 Homebuyer seminar

RE/MAX Northeast will host a free homebuyer seminar April 30 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at 4655 Walzem Road, located just west of IH 35. The seminar is for prospective home buyers interested in learning more about the process in buying a home. A mortgage loan officer who will discuss several topics involved in financing a home including the new \$8,000 income tax credit for first time home buyers; a title company escrow officer will explain the title and closing processes; a realtor will discuss the current real estate market as well as other important information about buying a home. A free credit report will be available to everyone attending. For more information or reservations, call 590-5000, ext. 1640 or e-mail homebuyers@greatsaproperties.com.

MAY 1 Free portraits of military Families

Texas photographer Karen

Stannard, owner of Beautifully Scene Images, will offer free portraits for families in the San Antonio area and will print a 5-by-7 print and two wallet sized prints for the Family to send overseas in time for Mother's Day or Father's Day. Families wishing to participate in the free portrait program can go to the Hemisfair Park entrance May 1 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. For more information, call 279-2494 or visit photos@beautifullyscene.com.

MAY 5 San Antonio Military Defense Technology and Intelligence Career Fairs

San Antonio Military Defense Technology and Intelligence will host three career fairs, May 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sam Houston Club; May 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Randolph Air Force Base Officers' Club and May 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lackland Air Force Base Security Hill, Kisling Community Center. These career fairs are for job seekers with any federal security clearance, infor-

mation technology, technical, engineering, aerospace, scientific, communications, military, government or intelligence background. For more information or to pre-register, visit www.transitioncareers.com.

Veterans in the Classroom

The 37 Training Wing will host the USAA-sponsored Veterans in the Classroom job fair scheduled May 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. USAA hopes to expand educational opportunities for youths from San Antonio and surrounding areas by assisting retired, retiring and separating military veterans and their spouses in pursuing teaching careers. Individuals with a special interest in math, science and technology are currently being recruited. Representatives from various universities, colleges and alternative teaching certification programs will be present to answer any questions on becoming a certified teacher in Texas. Local school districts will also be present to talk about upcoming openings in their district. The job fair is open to all Department of Defense identification card holders. The point of contact on base is Margaret Ozuna from the Airmen and Family Readiness Flight, 671-3722.

For Sale

Fort Freebies

For Sale: Kenmore Elite high-efficiency washer and gas dryer, washer model 22086, dryer model 72066, electronic controls, king-size capacity, charcoal color, \$550 obo for both; Welco tan hot weather boots, size 9-1/2W, new, never worn, \$40. Call Amanda or Jon at 512-301-7345.

For Sale: Boxer puppies, fawn and brindle, 8 weeks old, available May 1, shots will be up to date, \$400. Call 330-1574.

For Sale: Epson Stylus CX4800, all-in-one color printer, copier, card reader and scanner, includes new ink, box and instructions, \$50; AT&T home phone and digital answering system, black, two handsets, one corded and one cordless, with speaker phone, charging base, box and instructions, \$30; 1999 Chevrolet Suburban 1500LT, 192K miles,

gold, three rows of leather seats, cruise control, A/C, CD, clean, runs good, \$2,500. All items available after April 29. Call 222-2115 or 630-3151.

For Sale: Warrior hybrid golf clubs, 2-3-4-5 woods, left-handed, graphite shaft, like new, \$250; Warrior 3-9PW irons, 1-3-5 woods, bag and putter, \$165; Two meter transceiver, model IC260A, all band with power supply, \$200. Call 227-6590.

For Sale: Elliptical exerciser, \$175; Resistol hat, brown, size 7 1/4, \$50; Little Tikes Cozy Car, \$20; Child's Harley Davidson motorcycle, battery operated, charger, spare battery, \$60; pick-up truck bed extender, \$225. Call 221-2690.

For Sale: Twin-size Craftomatic automatic bed, paid \$1,500, asking \$375 obo. Call

Submission guidelines:
Freebies are published on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline is noon Monday. Freebies are intended for personal household goods, and may only be submitted by active, retired or reserve military members and civilian employees working on Fort Sam Houston. Real estate and employment ads will not be published. To submit a Fort Freebie, e-mail news.leader@conus.army.mil or fax to 221-1198. Freebies can only be ran twice. Limit of five items per entry. For more information, call 221-0546.

445-4837 or 445-0142.

For Sale: Baja off-road motor bike, like new, \$450. Call 633-0881.

For sale: Abs lounge two, \$30; Image elliptical machine, \$100; small round table with two chairs, \$30; highchair, pink, \$25. Call 832-8539.

For Sale: Wedding gown, never worn, size 14, with beading, lace and train, \$350. For a picture, call 221-2584 or 262-5501.

For Sale: Nintendo Game Cube with controller and Game Boy adapter, good condition, \$40; two kitchen high chairs, green wicker, \$10 each. Call 697-9261.

Yard Sale: Huge yard sale, April 24 and 25 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 232 Legacy Trail, LaVernia.

Lots of household items to include kitchenware, yard items, crafts, antiques, furniture, toys, men and women's clothing. Call 262-5501.

For Sale: 2004 Tracker Tahoe Q4 boat, 19 ? feet, 190hp Mercury Inboard Engine, space for seven, single axel trailer, green and white, bimini top, swim platform, stereo system, \$13,500. E-mail harltonkj@yahoo.com.

For Sale: Alfred Angelo bridal gown, Style 1193, white with navy blue accents, satin, metallic embroidery, crystal beading, sequins, rhinestones, semi-cathedral train, size 12, brand new, paid \$800, asking \$500 obo. Serious inquiries, call 391-4673 or e-mail maryowens1974@yahoo.com for pictures.



Main Post Chapel, Building 2200, 221-2754
Catholic Services:
4:45 p.m. - Reconciliation - Saturdays
5:30 p.m. - Mass - Saturdays
9:30 a.m. - Mass - Sundays
11:30 a.m. - Mass - weekdays
Protestant Services - Sundays:
8 a.m. - Collective Protestant
11 a.m. - Collective Protestant
Jewish Services: 379-8666 or 493-6660
8 p.m. - Fridays - Worship and 8:30 p.m. - Oneg Shabbat

Dodd Field Chapel, Building 1721, 221-5010 or 221-5432
Catholic Services:
9:15 to 11:15 a.m. - Catholic Women of the Chapel Enrichment or Bible Study - Mondays
12:30 p.m. - Mass - Sundays
Protestant Services:
10:30 a.m. - Gospel Protestant - Sundays
9:30 to 11:30 a.m. - Protestant Women of the Chapel meeting - Wednesdays, child care is provided
6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Protestant Women of the Chapel meeting - Thursdays, child care is provided
Samoan Protestant Service: 8:30 a.m. - Sundays

Brooke Army Medical Center Chapel, Building 3600, 916-1105
Catholic Services:

8:30 a.m. - Mass - Sundays
11 a.m. - Mass - Sundays
Protestant Services:
10 a.m. - Worship Service - Sundays
Episcopal/Lutheran Rite services:
12:30 p.m. - Traditional worship - Thursdays

Center for the Intrepid, first floor, 916-1105
Christ for the Intrepid services:
5:30 p.m. - Coffee and fellowship - Sundays
6 p.m. - Contemporary worship - Sundays
AMEDD Regimental Chapel, Building 1398, 221-4362
32nd Medical Brigade Student services
Catholic Mass: 8 a.m. - Sundays
Contemporary Protestant Service: 9:30 a.m. - Sundays
Muslim Jumma: 1:30 p.m. - Fridays

Fort Sam Houston Library, Building 1222, 221-4702
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints:
8:30 a.m. - Sundays

Installation Chaplain's Office, Building 2530, 295-2096
Contemporary Protestant: 11:01 a.m. - Sundays

Web site:
www.samhouston.army.mil/chaplain